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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED (P 402 458 659)

Mr. A. J. Cornell Gypsum Mine Associates P.O. Box 1240 Castle Dale, Utah 84513



Dear Mr. Cornell:

Re: Follow-up to Conditional Approval, White Cap #8 Mine, Castle Valley Mining Company, PRO/015/033, Emery County, Utah

On July 28, 1986 the Division received a copy of a letter (addressed to you) from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The letter concerned a revised reclamation bond estimate for the White Cap #8 minesite. It is our understanding that you filed a modification to your plan of operations for the proposed gypsum mine with the BLM. The BLM has adjusted their bonding requirement from \$25,000 down to \$6,000.

This letter is to advise you that this Division has not been formally notified of any change which would affect the State's reclamation bond estimate. Our estimate is currently set at \$25,000. Per our conditional approval letter dated June 30, 1986, the Division agreed to accept a copy of the \$25,000 BLM bond. A copy of this bond must be received by the Division before a permit to mine can be issued by this office. You must receive final approval from this office before operations at the minesite may commence.

If Castle Valley Mining Company wishes to have the state's reclamation bond estimate re-evaluated, then you must provide the Division with the necessary information to justify a change to the current \$25,000 estimate.

The 30-day public notice requirement has now passed without receipt of any formal written comments. Therefore, the bonding question is the only step remaining to be resolved with this office.

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Please advise us on the status of your operations and what your bonding plans are so that we may issue final approval for your operation. Thank you for your cooperation in completing this permitting action. Please contact me or D. Wayne Hedberg should you have any questions or wish to arrange a meeting to discuss final bonding arrangements.

Sincerely,

L.P. Brutter

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